

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

FEBRUARY 19, 1998

CALL TO ORDER: 4:12 pm; Riggle Room; ADUC.

SENATORS ABSENT: Laradean Brown, Robert Lorentz, Brenda Malinauskas, and Gordon Towell.

MINUTES: Minutes passes as distributed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Eaglin discussed the following:

- 1) Last years special session which ended with House Bill 1. This worked in our favor by moving all colleges to 95% formula funding. This resulted in 1.1 million dollars for us and all of it was put into salaries, giving us the largest salary pool in the state.
- 2) Two pools of money. The first is a deferred maintenance pool. A quarter of a million dollars can be taken out yearly. However, the money must be matched dollar for dollar. The other pool is the Program of Distinction. This pool contains 850 thousand dollars and is also in a match situation.
- 3) Fourteen million dollars has been awarded for the renovation of Breckinridge.
- 4) Work is being done to move a 100 thousand dollar project through the Budget Committee in Frankfort for the purpose of running the Folk Art Center.
- 5) The Governor has decided to create five centers for post secondary education in Prestonsburg. This is to bring together regional universities and local community and technical colleges. MSU will have at least 15,000 gross square feet of space in the new building. This will support distance learning. There is a rumor that the legislation is trying to do a similar building in West Liberty.
- 6) The Budget Priority Resolution had been received. It was noted that a four year project that began in 1992 and that was geared toward the same end was being completed. A group of faculty had been put together and had come up with a plan to increase salaries. The four part plan dealt with equity, starting salary, merit, and higher amounts on promotions.

A lengthy question and answer session followed.

CHAIR'S REPORT:

Chair Adams discussed the following:

- 1) The hearing on the Post Tenure Review Bill had been pulled. However, another bill dealing with this same

issue was in the process of being proposed.

- 2) It was reported that in the Deans Council meeting registrar Ranvier reported that a student's record would be flagged if that student had not met the pre-requisites. It was also reported that they were working toward pre-registration being done by faculty rather than in the departments.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Vice-president Moore reported that off campus registration was up 10%; 11% FTE produced, which was up over the last 6 years.

FACULTY REGENT'S REPORT:

Regent Mattingly reported that the Board would be meeting tomorrow. Committee would meet at 9:00 am and the full board would be meeting at 11:00. The agenda included the 2nd quarter report and promotion and tenure.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ACADEMIC POLICIES:

Resolution on Textbook Use in General Education Courses was presented for a first reading. Erin Hughey, Student Government President, spoke in regard to this resolution. She noted that similar policies were in effect at Eastern Kentucky University and Murray State University.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

The following committee nominations were presented and approved: Service Committee - Tom Kmetz, Librarian; and Research and Creative Productions Committee - Grover Kearns, Business.

COMMUNICATIONS

No report

EVALUATION

Chair asked that Faculty Satisfaction Surveys be turned in.

FISCAL AFFAIRS

A handout on the Analysis of Funds Reverted to Fund Balance was distributed to the senate. Chair Nutter reported that no decision had been made regarding the use of the insurance reserve. Chair reported that there was over \$240,000. in excess of the required balance.

PROFESSIONAL POLICIES:

Chair Patrick reported that there were some major changes in PAc-2: Promotion Review and that a new copy would be issued.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:57 pm